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Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street N W
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Powell

This Country took a tremendous step backwards when the FCC, under your leadership and direction, relaxed the rules governing multiple outlet ownership of news dispensers

While some diversity exists within the large organizations (Fox, especially, NBC and Turner) their outlets have a common political philosophy that permeates the 'news'. They sing a single tune, but with a different voice and from different angles. You know this as well as I do They have a powerful influence on public opinion

This fact was especially apparent during the War on Iraq. The 'news' varied considerably from network to network more so than from stations within the networks. In many instance, our most reliable, reputable news came from the relatively small rebroadcast of BBC

The fact that this War was caused (for political reasons) is being seriously reported. We will learn little from single party Government. Investigations and even less from those large news organizations that have contributed so much to the present administration

However, we can hope that, eventually, the truth will out and although the truth, today, may be hard to find, the world eventually, will know

I don't expect that you will reverse your decision, your stand or your 'politics', but I do want you to be increasingly aware that the American People are not with you in this matter. This probably matters not

Yours truly.

R W Johnson

Commissioner Michael Copps FCC Washington D.C.

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Dear Commissioner Copp:--

Thank you for your brilliant address at the Congressional hearings this week regarding the "loosening" of the rules governing the FCC. Would it be possible for me to get a copy of that address?

The Woodstock Peace Action Network plans a Teach-In in mid-July on "The War at Home." We will have speakers knowledgeable on the subjects addressing the issues of Racism, Communication, Labor, Civil Rights, Education, and Health Care. The audience will be invited to respond to the speakers and to voice their own take on these very, very important matters.

I would like to be able to read or quote from your address on this occasion.

Again thanking you for your heroic efforts to preserve the integrity of our media, I remain

Yours truly,

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